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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Fresno—Possible Meningitis Outbreak on College Campus

(U) 72 students at Fresno State University are being treated for exposure to bacterial meningitis after one student was diagnosed. The affected student was admitted to a local hospital and is recovering. The university is reaching out to students who may have been infected and working to identify the source. The Fresno County Department of Public Health is working with the school to contain the illness. SOURCE: 3 May 2017, Fresno Bee

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Colombia—Nationwide Phishing Attack Against Google Accounts

(U) Washington—The popular email service Gmail was hit by a phishing attack meant to trick people into broadly giving out personal information. Gmail users were sent emails that appeared to be from friends or acquaintances inviting them to edit documents using Google Docs. Those that clicked on the email link then released the virus onto their own contact lists. The attack is one of the only successful phishing attacks to get around the Google firewalls. Google has not said how many customers were affected.

SOURCE: 3 May 2017, San Diego Union Tribune

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Argentina—Prosecutor Threatened After Probe into Police Activity

(U) La Plata—A prosecutor in charge of a probe investigating police corruption was tied up and threatened by an attacker who escaped, local officials have said. Fernando Cartasegna was hit from behind with a police club, tied up, and told to drop his investigation into police corruption. He was told that if he did not, he would be shot. This is the second threat that Cartasegna has received at his office and he has also been threatened at home.

SOURCE: 3 May 2017, Reuters

(U) Mexico—Police Officer Killed in Shooting

(U) Juarez—One police officer was killed and another was wounded in an attack in downtown Juarez Wednesday morning. Officials have stated that the attack was targeted against the police in retaliation for recent seizures and investigations. Officials have not identified the officers who were shot, nor the group responsible, though they do have leads on possible suspects. A civilian was also injured in the attack.

SOURCE: 3 May 2017, El Paso Times

(U) United Kingdom—ISIS Developing Own Social Media Platform

(U) London—Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS) militants are working to develop their own social media platform in an effort to avoid security crackdowns on their communications and propaganda, according to the head of Europol. The new online platform was discovered in a crackdown on Internet

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extremism meant to reduce materials provided and shared by ISIS and al-Qa'ida groups. The investigation led to the identification of over 2,000 extremist items, hosted on 52 social media platforms. Europol has not said what steps they are taking regarding the ISIS controlled site. SOURCE: 3 May 2017, Reuters

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Arizona—Cross Border Tunnel Discovered

(U) Tucson- Border Patrol agents near Tucson have discovered a collapsed, illegal cross border tunnel near the Raul Hector Castro Port of Entry. When it was active, the tunnel extended 60 yards into the United States. The tunnel ran adjacent to a sewer line and utilized parts of a previously closed tunnel. Border Patrol agents report that the tunnel shows no sign of recent use.

SOURCE: 3 May 2017, Sonoran News

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